



# BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

## Teaching Assistant Application

Hello,

First, thank you so much for your interest in serving our department this academic year as a Teaching Assistant! We are incredibly grateful that you are willing to work with our faculty to deliver our curriculum to students. Teaching Assistants are an invaluable resource to the department. These positions provide and an excellent opportunity for our students to gain work experience in academia and further their education by exploring courses from the other side of their delivery. While TA positions are limited, we do have many opportunities for undergraduate students. To help us determine the most appropriate candidates for each position, please complete the following application indicating your interest, capability, and availability.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Kevin or Megan to get more information or ask clarifying questions ([kevin.shaughnessy@msvu.ca](mailto:kevin.shaughnessy@msvu.ca) , [megan.fisher3@msvu.ca](mailto:megan.fisher3@msvu.ca)).

Thanks so much!

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**Please complete the tables on the following page to indicate your availability, interest, and experience in the courses you are applying to TA for. Remember, the matching process for these positions is complicated and involves both your experience, understanding of the subject matter, availability, and interest in TAing for that course. All these things must overlap for us to offer you a position. If you are unsuccessful in securing a position this time, don't be discouraged and remember you can always apply in the future!**

*To apply for a TA position, you will ideally have completed the credit here at MSVU. However, if you are a transfer student and feel you have enough knowledge of the involved subject matter, you are welcome to apply.*



<b>Name:</b>	<b>[ENTER YOUR NAME HERE]</b>
<b>ABOUT YOU</b>	
<p><i>In the space below, please let us know a little bit about you and your interest in these positions. This does not need to be a formal cover letter, we just want to get to know you and understand your motivations and drive.</i></p>	

<b>GENERAL AVAILABILITY</b>					
<p><b>NOTE: Lab Sections run at one of five times in the day:</b></p> <p><b>1:</b> 9:00AM – 11:45AM  <b>2:</b> 10:30AM – 1:15PM  <b>3:</b> 1:30PM – 4:15PM  <b>4:</b> 3:00PM – 5:45PM  <b>5:</b> 5:00PM – 7:45PM</p> <p><i>Please complete the grid below by indicating your availability on each day of the week at each of the above listed timeslots by <b>typing a 'X' in the corresponding box.</b></i></p>					
<b>DAY</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Monday</b>					
<b>Tuesday</b>					
<b>Wednesday</b>					
<b>Thursday</b>					
<b>Friday</b>					

**COURSES OF INTEREST**

**NOTE:** *The department typically hires for the following courses. Please fill in the table below. If you are interested in applying for a course, indicate your interest level by **ranking the course between 1 (less interested) and 5 (most interested)** and **fill in the semester and academic year that you completed the course.***

**FALL TERM**

<i>Course</i>	<i>Interest Level</i>	<i>Date of Course Completion</i>
<b>BIOL 1152</b> – Introductory Biology I		
<b>BIOL 2202</b> – General Microbiology		
<b>BIOL 2203</b> – Plants: Form and Function		
<b>BIOL 2207</b> – Microbial Diversity		
<b>BIOL 3312</b> – General Ecology		
<b>BIOL 3310</b> – Physiology of Animals ( <i>marking only</i> )		
<b>BIOL 3374</b> – Genetics: Genes and Genomes		

**WINTER TERM**

<i>Course</i>	<i>Interest Level</i>	<i>Date of Course Completion</i>
<b>BIOL 1153</b> – Introductory Biology II		
<b>BIOL 2202</b> – General Microbiology		
<b>BIOL 2204</b> – Animals: Form and Function		
<b>BIOL 2240</b> – Cell and Molecular Biology		
<b>BIOL 3309</b> – Physiology of Plants		
<b>BIOL 3322</b> – Animal Developmental Biology		

**SUMMER SESSION I TERM**

<i>Course</i>	<i>Interest Level</i>	<i>Date of Course Completion</i>
<b>BIOL 1152</b> – Introductory Biology ( <i>marking only</i> )		
<b>BIOL 1153</b> – Introductory Biology ( <i>marking only</i> )		
<b>BIOL 2240</b> – Cell and Molecular Biology		